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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF NEVADA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

CHARLENE SCOTT,

Defendant.

CASE NO: 2:15-cr-174-KJD-BNW
CASE NO: 2:15-cr-193-KJD-PAL

STIPULATION TO CONTINUE SELF-SURRENDER DATE.

The United States of America, by and through JASON M. FRIERSON, United States Attorney, and KIMBERLY M. FRAYN, Assistant United States Attorney, and defendant CHARLENE SCOTT, by and through her counsel Lucas Gaffney, Esq., STIPULATE AND AGREE to request this Honorable Court issue an order extending CHARLENE SCOTT'S self-surrender date to the Bureau of Prisons, which is currently set for January 6, 2023.

DATED this 29th Day of December 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

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The instant the Stipulation is entered into for the following reasons:

1. On February 22, 2018, the defendant, Charlene Scott (“Charlene”) pleaded guilty to two (2) counts of Conspiracy to Commit Mail Fraud and Wire Fraud; six (6) counts of Wire Fraud; and three (3) counts of Mail Fraud. [ECF Nos. 217, 220]. On September 5, 2018, this Court sentenced Charlene to serve forty-six (46) months of incarceration in the Bureau of Prisons. [ECF Nos. 257, 265].
2. Following this Court’s imposition of sentence, the parties, either jointly or individually, requested to continue Charlene’s self-surrender date due to healthcare concerns with Charlene, and/or her husband, Terry Brown (“Terry”). Presently, Charlene’s self-surrender date is set for January 6, 2023. [See ECF No. 419 (case number 2:15-cr-174); ECF No. 92 (case number 2:15-193)]
3. Charlene suffers from chronic back pain due to a degenerative condition of her spine. At the beginning of 2022 the pain in Charlene’s back became progressively worse. After conducting an MRI, Charlene’s physician scheduled her for major back surgery (Posterior lumbar decompression with central laminectomy and medial facetectomies and foraminotomies at L-3-L4, L4-L5 and L5-S1). Through no fault of her own, the surgery was delayed until December 1, 2022.
4. Following Charlene’s surgery, she was transferred to a skilled nursing facility to begin her recovery and physical therapy. Two days later she experienced a severe fluctuation in her blood pressure requiring hospitalization from December 8th to December 10th of 2022. Charlene underwent a subsequent hospitalization for a fluctuation of her blood pressure on December 20, 2022, followed by her discharge on December 23, 2022. Charlene underwent another blood-pressure episode on December 27, 2022, where paramedics responded but did not transport her to the hospital.
5. Due to the uncontrolled fluctuations in Charlene’s blood pressure, she consulted with a Nephrologist who is currently awaiting testing results to identify the source of her blood-pressure condition in hopes of formulating a treatment plan.
6. Charlene’s primary care physician, Dr. Zev Lagstein, has indicated she is very frail and can ambulate only with the aid of a walker. Dr. Lagstein also indicated Charlene is taking prescribed medication to control her blood pressure, however, she is rendered dysfunctional and bedridden during blood-pressure fluctuation episodes. As of December 29, 2022, Dr. Lagstein recommended Charlene be closely monitored and continue to receive medical care.¹

¹ Counsel for Charlene has provided a letter from Dr. Lagstein to the government and U.S. Pretrial Services Officer Erin Oliver that summarizes the medical issues/events Charlene has experienced since December 1, 2022, as well as her current status.

7. Charlene's surgeon indicated it will take between 6 to 12 months to fully recover from the back surgery. However, due to Charlene's current condition she has not been able to attend the physical therapy to start the recovery process.

8. The parties have been in contact with Charlene's U.S. Pretrial Services Officer Erin Oliver who has verified the above information and that Charlene remains in compliance with all conditions of her release.

9. The parties respectfully request this Court issue an Order continuing Charlene's self-surrender date for ninety (90) days, which takes into consideration the time needed to identify and treat her blood-pressure condition and to recover from surgery to the point the Bureau of Prisons can provide adequate care for her ailments.

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11. Counsel has discussed this matter with AUSA Kimberly Frayn, and she does not object to a ninety (90) day continuance of Charlene's self-surrender date.

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CONCLUSIONS OF LAW


Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3143(a), this Court may permit Charlene to voluntarily report to prison if it is determined by “clear and convincing evidence that she is not likely to flee or pose a danger to the safety of any other person or the community.” Accordingly, 18 U.S.C. §3143(a) gives this Court the inherent authority to continue Charlene’s self-surrender date as long as she is not a danger to the community or a flight risk. This Court has not found a violation of Charlene’s conditions of pretrial release since setting the conditions in July of 2015, and as the Court previously determined in allowing Charlene to remain at liberty pending her self-surrender to the Bureau of Prisons, she is neither a danger to the community nor a flight risk.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Stipulation to Continue Self-Surrender Date is GRANTED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that CHARLENE SCOTT shall self-surrender to the designated Bureau of Prisons’ facility on the 7th Day of April, 2023 by noon.

DATED AND DONE this 3rd day of January, 2023.



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT JUDGE
THE HONORABLE KENT J. DAWSON